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INSIDE: NEW HIGHLANDER WEEKEND SECTION

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The heat is on... Klds jump into the water in Head Lake Park to keep cool during the heat wave. Photo by Mark Arike

Waterfront owners not loving their lakes

By Mark Arike

The latest findings of the Love Your Lake program are similar to last year.

Of the 60 local lakes surveyed by the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners' Association (CHA), only eight per cent had adequate natural shorelines. To meet the standard, 75 per cent of shoreline around the lake requires a 30-metre vegetative buffer to maintain the existing water quality,

according to a scientific review by the Muskoka Watershed Council.

"Only five made the grade," CHA chair Paul MacInnes told county council on June 27.

A total of 5,228 properties, or 939 km of shoreline, need to be re-naturalized, said MacInnes.

Since it launched four years ago, trained staff and volunteers have collected data on

13,487 properties on 72 lakes (60 are in the county). This includes information on four natural shoreline classifications: natural, regenerative, ornamental and degraded. It also took into account setbacks and dock types.

The CHA obtained more than \$300,000 in funding to carry out the work.

Poor lake health can lead to the development of algae blooms. In Ontario,

phosphorus from septic systems is the leading cause of its growth. In some places, blooms have led to swimming bans and a drop in property values.

"The Canadian Real Estate Association has come out with a statistic that one blue-green algae bloom on a lake will drive down property values by 30 per cent," he said.

The goal is to bring all lakes up to the 75 See 'CHA' on page 2



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Judy MacDuff cleans up a mess at the Lily Ann Thrift store following a break-in. Photo by Mark Arike.

Haliburton thrift store vandalized

By Mark Arike

Volunteers at Haliburton's Lily Ann Thrift Store showed up to a mess on the morning of July 3.

"It upsets us all," said Judy MacDuff, treasurer and director.

When MacDuff arrived at 7:45 a.m., she discovered a broken window, blood and urine on clothes, and several donated items in disarray. A few things were left on the ground at the back of the building, including an empty beer can. Some jewellery had been stolen—the most expensive item priced at \$5.

A bloody fingerprint was left on the cash register, but no money was taken because cash isn't kept on the premises. MacDuff believes the culprit(s) entered the building's side door sometime after 10:30 p.m. on Monday. They weren't

captured by the store's surveillance camera.

MacDuff contacted the police, who collected evidence. She was also going to phone the municipality, since they own the building, about the damage. The store was closed for the day.

OPP Const. Dianna Dauphinee confirmed a report of a break-in at the store, as well as another break-in at a business in Highlands East where a large quantity of cash was stolen.

"Both investigations are ongoing at this time and as accurate and confirmed information becomes available, we will release further details," said Dauphinee on Tuesday afternoon.

The thrift store and the 4Cs Food Bank, also on York Street, are solely run by volunteers. The store's sales support their programs.

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CHA offers tips and resources

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per cent minimum. Individual reports have been given to property owners informing them how they can re-naturalize their shoreline. The CHA also has a tool on its website that offers expert recommendations for vegetation.

MacInnes believes there's a major business opportunity in re-naturalizing shorelines.

"I figure it's a \$25 million project," he said, pointing out there aren't many local experts in this field.

Going forward, MacInnes said it's important to continue talking about this issue and getting people motivated.

This winter, the CHA will ask municipalities to insert

information with tax bills.

Coun. Murray Fearrey of Dysart thinks that municipalities may need to get involved by sending letters with suggestions to property owners who have "glaring errors" on their shorelines.

"I think there's an opportunity for us to be more involved," he said.

MacInnes said the CHA can't release information on particular properties to anyone.

A list of shoreline re-naturalization providers is on the CHA's website at cohpoa.org.

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Highlander news

Ultra-modern vet clinic coming to Minden

By Lisa Gervais

Minden is getting a new, state-of-the-art, veterinary clinic. It was revealed at last week's council meeting that Dr. Jenn Morrow, of Minden Animal Hospital, has purchased a lot at 8 Booth St. for development.

Her father, Paul MacInnes, spoke at the June 28 meeting since Dr. Morrow was in surgery at her rented clinic at 9 Bobcaygeon Rd. He was accompanied by Ben Jardine, of Greystone Project Management in Huntsville, which is constructing the building.

MacInnes termed it "an incredibly good news story" in introducing councillors and staff to the project, while Jardine promised "a prominent new facility."

MacInnes said the building is being designed by Artistree Construction of Vaughan, which specializes in vet clinics. Its portfolio includes the Lakeshore Road Animal Hospital, the Taunton Road Hospital, one in York Mills and the Algonquin College Animal Health Care Facility. He said it will have digital X-ray technology so images can be sent immediately over the internet to Guelph for consultations if needed. It will also allow for leading-edge surgery, including dentistry, and pharmacy needs.

Jardine said it'll be on one level, which makes it accessible, and designed to meet the current and long-term needs of clients.

He added said there'll be significant investment in green building materials and energy-efficient technologies. MacInnes added it may be the first county building to use permeable paving. This allows storm water runoff to filter through voids in the pavement into an underlying stone reservoir, where it is temporarily stored and/or infiltrated.

MacInnes added the interior design is being done by Shawn Smandych of Sassy Digs.

They hope to begin work in the fall and open in May 2019 or sooner.

They basically came to council to introduce the project and will be filing paperwork with the township in the very near future.

MacInnes talked about the history of the clinic, saying Dr. Morrow had turned it around in the three years she's owned it. He said it's now one of the fastest growing vet clinics in all of Ontario. They have two full-time veterinarians and Dr. Morrow is looking for a third. There are also full-time staff positions to support the vets. For example, MacInnes said Cassidy Garbutt had just joined the team after successfully graduating as a vet technician. While the business is growing, he said the current location is limiting.

Mayor Brent Devolin said it was "exciting news to see things happening in our community that are leading edge. We'll watch and learn. I can hardly wait."

Coun. Pam Sayne, who heads the Climate Change Action Committee, said she was really excited about the green aspects. "Thank you for choosing Minden for this very progressive, showcase building."

While supportive of the project, Coun. Jean Neville did express concern about an out-of-town builder again getting a major Haliburton County job. In Minden alone, Greystone has built the new fire hall, County EMS station and a condominium in recent years.

Jardine said the company does employ four to five people from Minden Hills. He added there would be "tremendous opportunity for the local community in the provision of materials, skilled labour and speciality subcontracts."



MPP Scott new minister of labour

Haliburton-Kawartha-Lakes Brock MPP Laurie Scott has been named minister of labour in the Ontario government. Premier Doug Ford and Ontario's new executive council were sworn-in last Friday. "I am honoured to be joining Cabinet as the minister of labour," Scott said. "My colleagues and I are looking forward to getting to work for the people of Ontario. Thank you to the people of HKLB for giving me the honour of representing them." (Lisa Gervais).



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Irondale landfill next Minden Hills headache

By Lisa Gervais

Minden Hills Coun. Pam Sayne played peacemaker last week after Mayor Brent Devolin and Ivan Ingram, environmental and property operations manager, had an exchange of words over the state of the Irondale landfill.

It came after an Ingram report addressing concerns from Millburn Road residents during a May 31 meeting.

Led by Ivor Thompson, a group that lives near the landfill complained about its operation and management. Initially, they were going to ask that it be made into a transfer station, but after “learning about the numerous infractions and the environmental impact the dump has on the provincially significant Millburn Wetland Complex,” they want it closed.

They made 10 complaints and Ingram conceded to some of them at the June 28 meeting.

Thompson said they found “a mini dump” of tires, plastic waste and other garbage in and around a creek, despite the landfill having to be 100 feet from any watercourse. Ingram said staff had investigated and

would have the offending material removed before the end of June.

The residents said Highlands Environmental, which is contracted by the township, cut down buffer trees between the dump and nearby property. Ingram said township staff did the cutting in 2016, in order to get the required slope of the bank and it was in that year’s budget. He said staff believes there’s still an adequate buffer. But Coun. Jean Neville disagreed during the meeting, saying the whole landfill is visible from the Millburn Road. It may meet standards, she said, but staff should be proactive and do some planting.

Another complaint was that under the certificate of approval, the landfill has to be covered and compacted every two weeks between April 1 and November 1 and once a month the rest of the year. Thompson claimed it’s only being done about three times a year. “And in some cases ... only after complaining to the township about the smell and the garbage that blows onto the road and people’s property because it hasn’t been covered and compacted.”

Ingram agreed cover is sometimes late but said they’re trying. He said staff sometimes

has to rely on snow cover and difficulty getting contractors, trucks and materials sometimes cause delays.

“Our road is a constant mess and the Millburn Road community is constantly picking up garbage that has either been blown from the dump or dumped by people and animals,” Thompson added. Ingram replied staff agrees there’s garbage around the road and front gate but the attendant does gather it up.

Ingram dismissed the other complaints as unfounded. They included: not meeting approved setbacks; accepting types of waste not in the C of A, including contaminated material; inadequate fencing; and impact on wetlands.

Ingram said in his opinion, the 68-year-old landfill should be made into a transfer station.

Following the report, Devolin said staff may be meeting Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) and Cambium minimum standards, but “it’s not to our standards. It’s not good enough. We may technically comply but it doesn’t pass our test.” Cambium is the township’s landfill

consultant. Devolin added there’s a “public appetite” for better landfill operation and management and he wasn’t happy with public complaints.

However, Ingram replied that was it was “pretty hard to meet [council’s] standards” when he hasn’t been given direction, nor the staff.

Later, Sayne said, “We are looking at minimum standards, and it’s biting us in the bum.” She said if the public and council wants standards raised, they have to first go to the MOECC, which would in turn influence Cambium.

“I don’t think any of us is immune to responsibility,” she said, including council and people who dump garbage at the gate. “But inward fighting is not getting us fixing the situation together.” She said council had to also give staff clear direction.

And, Coun. Lisa Schell said the environmental task force has ideas about improvements at the site. She added if council feels its standards should be above the MOECC and Cambium, it needs to budget extra money. For future councils, she advised, “This stuff just doesn’t happen out of thin air. It requires dollars.”

Work begins on detailed transportation plan

By Mark Arike

A consultant has been hired to develop a transportation implementation plan for the County of Haliburton.

Council recently awarded a \$46,700 contract to IBI Group Professional Services Canada, one of three companies that responded to a request for proposal. The county allocated \$50,000 in this year’s budget for the plan.

“They have the experience that I think we’re looking for,” said planning director Charley White, adding the company has completed implementation plans in other rural areas.

With offices around the world, including 13 in Canada, IBI has also worked on projects for Transport Canada.

Dillon Consulting came in with the lowest bid at about \$41,900. WSP Canada Group Limited was most expensive at

nearly \$50,000. The RFPs were scored on proposal merits and cost.

Last year, a task force of local representatives considered different public transportation models for the area. They prepared a business case with options and estimated costs. The shared ride model would utilize a passenger van to transport residents along flexible routes. The cost to operate five days a week is estimated at \$192,000.

According to White’s report, the consultant’s plan will “respond to the public transportation goals and objectives of the business case and provide an outline of service options related to this form of transit system, including delivery approaches, costs and required resources.” It will also include fare projections, funding opportunities and a financial plan.

IBI Group was to start July 3 and finish in the fall.

They have the experience that I think we’re looking for.

Charley White
Planning Director



County councillors Brent Devolin, Andrea Roberts and Murray Fearrey listen to a transportation presentation. *File photo.*

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Top: The ribbon-cutting ceremony takes place during the opening. Left bottom: Members of the fire rescue team pose in front of a fire truck. Right: Interim fire chief Mike Bekking stands in front of a fire truck *Photo by Felix Wong.*

New fire hall opens in Minden Hills

By Felix Wong

Volunteer firefighters, captains, deputy chiefs, friends and family showed up at Minden Hills' new fire hall at 12418 Highway 35 to celebrate its grand opening on June 30. Following a ribbon-cutting ceremony, attendees participated in an open house and enjoyed hot dogs and burgers provided by the Minden Hills volunteer fire department.

"Outstanding," said interim fire chief Mike Bekking, when asked how he felt about the opening of the new hall. "The firefighters

do such a great job for the community and they deserve to be in this building. It will make our jobs easier. We'll be able to respond faster now, get out of the station [quicker] ... we have more room and our firefighters are so excited about this new hall."

The old fire hall was flooded twice and the ensuing water damage caused it to be "less desirable," he said.

"One of the advantages of moving here is that it's got all the new equipment; the latest air fill station, the latest efficient heating.

This building can also act as our emergency operation centre," Bekking added. "It's got a fairly large meeting room next door so that in the case of a large-scale emergency, the support group can be here to organize and help respond to things like flooding, tornadoes and wildfires."

Bekking has been the interim fire chief with the Minden fire department for nine months. He originally served on the Markham fire department for 30 years.

The construction of the new fire hall began last September at a cost of about \$2 million.

Two-way radio trouble in Dysart

During a recent storm, Dysart's roads and fire departments were talking over one another with their two-way radios.

"The way our system is set up is that the fire department and roads department share frequencies. When we're both trying to talk at the same time, we start stepping on each other," public works director Rob Camelon told council on June 25. "We ran into that."

Camelon said it doesn't happen often and they've "worked around it in the past."

In the future, they should use separate channels. For now, he requested permission to talk to the municipality's service provider to find out how they're set up and what improvements could be made. *(Mark Arike)*

Busy Canada Day weekend for OPP

The Haliburton Highlands OPP were busy over the Canada Day weekend.

Constable Dianna Dauphinee said OPP participated in a traffic enforcement initiative from June 29 to July 2. It focused on the Big 4 causes of collisions: speeding, distracted driving, impaired driving and extra emphasis on aggressive driving.

"The Big 4 is a daily concern on our roadways especially during a long weekend where roads are much busier with the public travelling to their vacation destinations," local OPP said in a news release.

There were numerous charges laid during this Canada day weekend initiative, including: speeding (62), distracted driving (1), impaired driving (1), stunt racing (2), seatbelts (0), moving violations (3), other Highway Traffic Act (6) and compulsory automobile insurance act (5).

Dauphinee added that if you suspect that someone is operating a motor vehicle, boat or off-road vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, report it to the police by calling 1-888-310-1122, 9-1-1 or *OPP (677) on your cell phone. *(Lisa Gervais)*

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To encourage Highlanders to believe in themselves, in our community, and in their power to make our place in the world better every day.

Welcome to The Highlander Weekend

Hopefully, readers will have noticed *The Highlander Weekend* section by now.

Full disclosure. We have to give the folks at McLaren Press Graphics Ltd. in Gravenhurst an assist on this one.

They wrote to us in June saying they were upgrading their presses and could only print 32 pages at any one time while the work was being done. That left us in somewhat of a conundrum since we've had papers as big as 70 pages in the summer.

However, McLaren said we could print inserts. And, that's why last week we introduced *The Highlander Weekend* along with our real estate guide.

Our friends at McLaren gave us a bit of a jolt last Tuesday, though. Instead of the change beginning on July 5 as we were initially informed, we were told the day before production that it was happening for last week's edition. So, we had a couple of days to totally plan and produce an entirely new 16-page section for our readers and advertisers. This on top of a 24-page real estate guide and a 32-page newspaper.

As the midnight hour approached last

Tuesday night, I, publisher Bram Lebo and head of production Lyelca Rodrigues hoped what we'd somewhat hastily assembled would work.

We think it did and are eager to get your feedback.

The planning of this edition's *The Highlander Weekend* has been a little easier. We had more time and a natural theme in sharing graduation stories and photos with all of you.

We plan to continue *The Highlander Weekend* all summer long. (Well, McLaren has given us no choice). But, in all honesty, we really like the section. It allows us to showcase our photography and highlight some of the lighter side of news in this county. We will continue to print stories about people and the things that they love to do.

In addition, we would like readers to take a bit of ownership of this section. We can't always find room in the paper to run contributed content but if you send quality photographs (minimum 200 dpi JPEG's) and well-written stories, we will consider

giving you some ink.

In addition, we would love to hear story ideas from you, including interesting people, places and things.

As the county's only truly locally-owned and operated media outlet, we strive to remain committed to the mission statement that we drafted nearly seven years ago. That's the little green blurb on the bottom to the left.

But, even more than that, we want to evolve and change with the community, too. We think *The Highlander Weekend* is the perfect addition. At a time when people lament that all news is doom and gloom, we can proudly point to our new section and say, actually, there's a lot of good stuff going on around here ... and we can have a whole lot of fun with it as well.

So, crack a copy and have a great Highlander weekend.



By Lisa Gervais

Giving back

Making a difference in our community ... most of us want to approach our civic responsibility with that kind of mindset. However, it is not always an easy and simple task to accomplish. Many people donate their time and talent by volunteering. Others join clubs and organizations that promote good work by raising money and then sharing the proceeds with those in need. All worthy endeavours, which contribute to the well-being of our fellow citizens.

But not everyone has time to give. Busy family and business schedules leave some hard-pressed to find time for regular meetings or to participate in fundraising ventures.

And so I was intrigued to hear of an organization called One Hundred Women Who Care, Haliburton County. Joan Featherstone, of Minden, is the woman who brought the concept to Haliburton County. It is something new here, but has been an idea which is being adopted around the globe.

The concept is quite simple. Three times a year, the group meets at the Dominion Hotel to consider three worthy recipients, local not-for-profit or charitable organizations. After hearing about each of the organizations being "nominated"

by members who explain why each was worthy of support, they discuss the merits of each, ask questions and then vote. The winner is the recipient of \$100 from each member of the group.

Now there are some rules of course.

As Joan explained, One Hundred Women offers a bridge for people who want to contribute to their community but can't make a big-time commitment. Since it was formed, the local chapter has donated a total of \$22,450 in its first five sessions. The recipients were: Food for Kids; the Food Bank; Family Support Centre; Volunteer Dental Outreach; and the YWCA HERS shelter in Haliburton County. Members write their cheques directly to the organization and receive a receipt for their donation.

The organization operates with little overhead. Members donate skills and resources to support what little infrastructure it takes to keep the organization operating.

The name of the organization can be a little misleading. While it started out as a women's only movement, those barriers quickly fell by the wayside and in some communities the membership is male and female, all male and there is even a group that youth can join (with a reduced financial

commitment). In some cases, group members pair up sharing the \$100 per meeting contribution. The Haliburton County group currently has more than 60 members. The chapter in Kawartha Lakes has more than 350. The membership number is flexible. The One Hundred in the name is more of a target than a requirement.

One Hundred Women Who Care, Haliburton County is always looking for new members. Prospective participants are welcome to sit in on a meeting to get a sense of how it operates. The next one is July 25 at the Dominion Hotel, Minden.

While it is well recognized that often a volunteer gets as much out of sharing time and talent as the recipient, organizations like Women Who Care provide another option for those wishing to make a difference in our community.

For more information, contact Joan at curriejlf@gmail.com.



By Jack Brezina



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Editorial opinion

Eye on the street: *What do you like about being Canadian?* Photos and interviews by Felix Wong



Jason Bradley
Barrie
I like the fact that I’m part of a community that looks out for each other. I’m a fisherman and hunter so I also enjoy spending time outdoors.



Kassie Wright
Milton
I like that we have our own community and culture. I also enjoy spending time outdoors.



Larry Bradley
Aurora
I like that I’m not American!



Mal Eskelin
Minden
Well – I was born here. I like the people and we have great healthcare.



Ron Nesbitt
Minden
I like the freedom and the friendliness. Canada is a land of opportunity.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



This image of Twelve Mile Lake was taken by Silvana Garofalo.

Letters

Worried about precedent if quarry approved

Dear editor,
Although the MNRF is the final authority for aggregate permits on Crown Land, the Aggregate Resources Act and Regulations state that the ministry must take into consideration municipal comments and planning and land use considerations. The applicant’s implication that the township has no say in these areas is disingenuous and wrong. The MNRF is absolutely right to consider the township’s views on these matters. There is a substantial amount of Crown Land in Haliburton County and a precedent on this new quarry is a danger to all residents and cottagers. That is why over 300 people have signed petitions opposing the quarry. We hope Laurie Scott, our MPP, will be given the senior position in the new government she deserves and will ensure that the wish of local government and our environment is respected. (editor’s note: Scott has been named Minister of Labour)

Aaron Court
The NoMcClintock Quarry Team

Deer flies are my friends

It’s the first night of two weeks with my parents-in-law, who are visiting from England. How do I feel about it? Let’s say I have mixed emotions. Little Z is excited to see his grandma and granddad, mainly because they spoil him rotten. My lovely wife is really happy that they’ve come to stay. I’m happy because she’s happy. Yep, let’s leave it at that. On a more positive note, yesterday I purchased a new barbecue. A real one, with a side burner and bottle opener attachment. A barbecue that a Canadian would be proud to own. Or at least not embarrassed, as was the case with my old grill. That old one was a \$200 Canadian Tire special on which no self-respecting barbecue master would dream of torching anything on, other than his reputation. This new one is big and shiny, and heavy. The lid is weighty. It takes Little Z two hands to open so it must be a good one, eh? It also took a good hour to build, boasting more parts than your average IKEA wardrobe and more bling than a top of the range truck. And power, oh the BTUs. Many more

burners and we’d have to limit lighting it to ‘on location’ at Cape Canaveral, just in case of lift off. But you know the best thing about the barbecue? I’ll tell you. Better than its shiny good looks. Better than its 50-burger capacity. Better even than its rotisserie attachment. The best thing is that it is outside. Outside with the bugs. And my mother-in-law hates the bugs. Now, I have for many years thought of mosquitoes and deer flies as a pest, an annoyance that needs to be stamped out. However, now for the first time, I see their real role in nature. They tame the over-talkative mother-in-law. They keep her imprisoned inside the house, while I, a fellow of leathery skin and ample Deet immersion, can roam my deck without worry that my relaxation will be disturbed by another story from ‘back home’. “Yep, I’ll be outside at the barbecue,” I call. “I know it’s only mid-morning, but the grease trap needs cleaning. Just prepping the barbecue for this evening, dear ...”

The deer flies bounce off the back of my head as I lounge on the deck, luxuriating in the silence. Where once I would have swatted at them and become agitated, now I take it as manly camaraderie. Like a chest bump, or the clinging of beer bottles. We are on the same side, so to speak. But two weeks. Can I pull this off for two whole weeks? It could go one of two ways. Either my lovely wife will catch on to my ruse and shut it down (she’s good at that) or we’ll be eating barbecued food for a fortnight and all need a meat-free cleanse by the end of the holiday. I’m hoping for the latter. I have all manner of flame grilled meal ideas lined up and a case of beer, ready to test out that bottle opener attachment to breaking point. So, bring on the parents-in-law, and I’ll be outside all day at the barbecue, slow roasting a giant shoulder of pork.



By Will Jones

The Outsider

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Arena renewal RFP out

The Township of Minden Hills has released its request for proposals (RFP) for management of the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and Community Centre renewal.

Director of community services, Mark Coleman, told councillors at a June 28 meeting, the arena building task force had decided to use an Integrated Project Delivery (IPD) model.

That means the township, general contractor and architect will be part of the IPD team.

Coleman said the Town of Oakville is the first to use the model in Canada.

"This is about delivering a project on time and on budget," he said.

The RFP was released June 15 and the township hopes to award the tender for its IPD team on July 26. They have scheduled public open houses for Sept. 27 and 29. The plan is to start the work in August 2019 and reopen in September 2020.

Some of the plans include adding and upgrading dressing rooms and installing community services department offices, a new ice plant system, LED lighting and accessibility improvements.

Some of the options that have been included in the RFP are expanding to an NHL-size ice surface, adding a multi-court

gymnasium with raised indoor track and fitness stations and rooftop solar.

Coleman said the model would also allow for a profit pool, whereby 50 per cent of savings go into a profit pool and 50 of savings could be retained or split partially into re-investment.

Mayor Brent Devolin said in the past the township has awarded RFPs and then adopted a spectator role. He said that under an IPD model they are involved, having both insight and oversight.

The township has so far talked about spending \$6.5 million on the arena upgrade.

MH pauses septic inspection program

The township has decided to take more time in developing its septic re-inspection program.

Mayor Brent Devolin said he'd spoken with Dysart et al officials who'd recently learned that about half the septic systems inspected on Little Kennis Lake had some issues. He's worried about there being enough private companies to do the repair work across the county.

"There are times to pause and think rather than charging ahead," he said. He said he looked forward to more information from

staff and encouraged them to discuss the situation with Dysart et al. "The smartest thing we can do is learn from their experience."

Coun. Pam Sayne had been worried about Level 4 (the highest level) of inspections all along. She said that it might make sense during the pause to set a schedule of where and when inspections will be done.

Coun. Jeanne Anthon asked about striking a task force and she's been joined by Sayne and Coun. Jean Neville on that.

Minden sprucing up downtown

Minden Hills will spend its downtown revitalization money on signage, street furniture, flowers and landscaping.

That was the recommendation that came out of the latest meeting with interested local businesses.

They'd like to see more money for planters, barrels and lighting, too, but that would exceed the \$43,000 Minden Hills got from the province.

It was also decided that a steering committee be set up as a first step in re-establishing a Business Improvement Area.

Letters

Elections are not democratic

Dear editor,

It's been a few weeks since we elected a new provincial government. As the Libertarian candidate in the Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock riding, I wish to share some facts with your readers.

Elections Ontario registered 28 political parties in this election. Seven were on HKLB ballots. Mainstream media coverage featured the campaigns of only the "big three" parties. For this reason, the public is not completely to blame for not knowing that 25 other parties were running elections across the province.

Election campaign fundraising rules changed after the 2014 election. The goal was to limit "corporate" donations from labour unions and big corporations which were believed to have too much influence in the outcome. The new rules featured a per-vote subsidy to replace the offending rich "corporate" donations with a new funding scheme compliments of the Ontario taxpayer. Any political party is eligible for the subsidy provided they attain two per cent of the total collected vote provincially. Today, the subsidy pays \$2.71 per vote acquired. Based on the 2014 election results, the following payments in 2017 (the first payment year) were: Liberals \$5.06 million; PC \$4.09 million, NDP \$3.1 million and Green \$630,000.

To provide some context to the significance of these payments, the Ontario Libertarian Party - the fifth largest in this province - collected \$45,000. This was the sole source of funding to support the

election campaign activities of candidates in 117 ridings. Needless to say, the subsidy pays for a lot of road signs, radio ads, TV spots on major outlets, campaign volunteers, etc. This explains why my 30 campaign signs were invisible to public awareness when compared to the thousands of Liberal, PC and NDP signs seen across the riding.

What success could the Ontario Libertarian Party have had if taxpayer funding was not provided to the Liberals, PC, NDP and Green parties and they, too, depended solely on grass roots fundraising?

The other 24 registered parties have new ideas. If the mainstream media, especially the publicly funded CBC, were to cover the ideas of all 28 parties and not just "the big three" how would this affect the political climate in Ontario?

For the record, the Ontario Libertarian Party opposes all election subsidies and believes that governments should never be allowed to "game" an election outcome with taxpayers' money. Unfortunately, this is our reality today and not enough citizens know this.

Gene Balfour

Libertarian Candidate, HKLB

Support housing task force

Dear editor,

I read your "Opinion" column last week with interest.

On June 28, there was an interesting piece on PBS Newshour on a project of the Harvard School of Architecture in rural

Alabama, where the poverty rate is 24 per cent (35 per cent for black people). The poverty rate in Haliburton County is 20 per cent (highest in Ontario). If you didn't see the piece on PBS, I suggest you go online to pbs.org and read it. Other countries (especially in Europe) are supporting such initiatives.

I applaud the [Minden Hills Housing] Task Force in trying to find ways to bring affordable housing to the county. Their efforts must be supported.

Size doesn't matter so much to those who currently live in rotten conditions: private, energy-efficient, mold-free, clean surroundings are paramount. Freedom from essential repairs (which are often unaffordable); freedom from slum landlords; freedom from the stigma of poverty.

Property prices in the county are obscene -- even those who consider themselves middle-class often can't afford the prices. Any solution which improves people's lives is worthy of the support of all, including local government.

We are in danger of becoming a dying community: we cannot continue to rely on "cottagers" and retirees who choose to make the county their home. We need to attract and keep young people. There is also a shortage of affordable accommodation for seasonal workers -- we read in the local papers of the difficulties this is creating for a number of local businesses.

The small home movement should have a bright future in Haliburton County.

Jane Taylor Eastwood
Haliburton

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Rotary club makes \$10K commitment to new rink

By Mark Arike

The Haliburton Rotary Club is donating \$10,000 towards the installation of a ball and hockey rink at the former skate park on Maple Avenue. The total cost of the project is pegged at \$15,000.

On June 25, Rotarians Mark Dennys and Andy Salvatori presented their plans to council.

A blueprint by Emmerson Lumber shows the 35-by-70-foot rink will include boards, doors and netting at both ends. Past Rotary president Steve Roberts came up with the budget, which includes \$12,000 for materials, \$1,000 for hardware and a \$2,000 contingency to hire a contractor if necessary.

In the spring, Coun. Walt McKechnie told his fellow councillors about initiating such a project. In the fall of 2017, many kids took advantage of a ball hockey rink set up on York Street during the Hometown Hockey festivities.

In an interview, Roberts said it was just by chance that the club and McKechnie had

similar ideas.

“I think it was a coincidence,” he said. “I brought it up to our club early in the winter.”

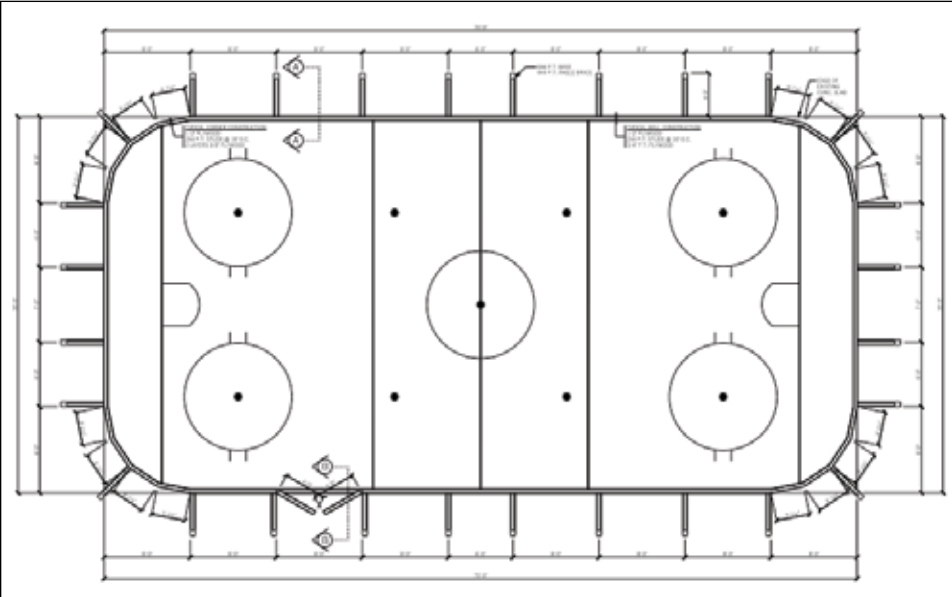
The club thought it was worthwhile because it’s another project that supports children.

“Rotary pretty well supports any project that involves kids and their development in the community,” said Roberts, adding the current space isn’t being used. It’s located next to the library.

The club donated \$25,000 to the construction of the new skate park last year. It’s in town, beside A.J. LaRue Arena.

Salvatori said the club hasn’t sought donations but mentioned there could be an opportunity for advertising on the boards. McKechnie said he’d like NHL stars from the area to be part of the project. He thought a photo of these players would help inspire youth. He also suggested adding benches for kids to tie up their skates.

Council supported the club’s proposal to partner with the municipality on the project. The recreation department’s staff



A drawing of the future ball and hockey rink. It will be located at the former skate park site on Maple Avenue. *Dysart council files.*

and Rotarians will help with the installation. McKechnie has been in talks with a local contractor to donate some manpower, said

Roberts. The goal is to complete the project by the end of August.

Lavery departure prompts tourism job rethink

By Mark Arike

With the recent departure of longtime tourist information clerk Ann Lavery, the County of Haliburton is on the hunt for an interim replacement.

“In order to support the needs of the

tourism department and main reception in the interim, it is recommended that temporary assistance be sought externally, for the short-term,” said tourism director Amanda Virtanen in a report.

Lavery, who is leaving the area, held the job for 18 years. Some of her duties

included providing information on the county’s attractions to visitors, assisting Virtanen with social media activity and updating the MyHaliburtonHighlands website.

In the future, the permanent position might include more duties. A few

suggestions were in Virtanen’s report. “I’m not sure if the additional duties are enough,” said Coun. Carol Moffatt. The temporary contract position ends Dec. 21, 2018. Staff and council will evaluate the job description for the permanent position at a later date.



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Public asked for input on Dorset library

By Lisa Gervais

People in the Dorset area are being encouraged to fill out a survey about how the hamlet's underperforming library could be transitioned into a new space.

Algonquin Highlands council approved the survey for distribution at their council meeting on June 21. It is now open to the public, targeting library users and Dorset Recreation Centre patrons.

In early May, council reviewed a transition proposal they'd requested at a Jan. 18 meeting.

Essentially, the Dorset Library branch as it now operates would cease. There is talk of a book drop service instead. Under that, people could order books online through the county library system and pick them up at the Dorset Recreation Centre. The survey says township staff could be trained by the library board to operate this service.

The plan would then be to remove all books and existing furnishings and renovate into a hub space. It could include computer and work tables, a lounge area and an entranceway check-in and counter space.

Mayor Carol Moffatt said the survey opened the door to "a great community discussion about a community space ... what we do with it is the outcome. We'll get the survey afloat and see what we get back."

The township has been discussing the future of the Dorset library for months now.

Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen, who sits on the Haliburton County Public Library Board (HCPLB), said it's had declining use and circulation for years and is now down to operating just eight hours a week.

She and some fellow councillors expressed some frustration with the library board at the meeting, that the board has been reluctant to publicly voice consideration to close the library, leaving Algonquin Highlands to consider possible next moves.

Danielsen said she took some council questions to a recent board meeting but "found both the answers to her questions and the board's unwillingness to participate in the survey very disappointing."

For example, she said she asked if the library can continue to operate as is and was told they will continue based on board

direction.

"I don't think anybody wants to close the library ... but they know they're faced

with having to make a decision of some sort," Danielsen said. She later added, "they would be the ones to discontinue the service ... but they don't want to take responsibility for saying we're closing the library."

Coun. Marlene Kyle said she felt AH was "being put in a terrible spot by the library board."

Board chair

Nancy McCluskey said she was unable to comment on remarks made at a meeting she did not attend. She referred *The Highlander* to library board minutes of September 2017.

It is reported in those minutes that Moffatt shared her municipality's challenges with respect to the Dorset branch, which is in the recreation centre, and "reviewing library services is part of the board's mandate and is done on a regular basis. The board

is committed to assisting Algonquin Highlands in their quest to provide optimal library services."

Danielsen added that at the more recent meeting, the board said they would not increase library hours based on current use and circulation, and that volunteers and municipal staff could not be trained to run the library based on the requirements of the Ontario Libraries Act.

Discussions that have taken place since January suggest that Algonquin Highlands could continue the Book Club, Koffee Klatch, Tech-Times and Early-on children's programs, the latter on a modified basis depending on the availability of funding. If the survey results are positive other newly designed programs could also be available.

AH's plan would see the hub open 40 hours a week, the same as the recreation centre.

In an April 19 staff report, Chris Card, manager of parks, recreation and trails, said it would take five months to change the space at a cost of just over \$24,000. He recommended implementing the plan on April 1, 2019.

Kyle said they wanted to get the messages out, "It's new ... it's inviting ... we're not closing the doors."

The survey is at surveymonkey.com/r/DorsetLibrary and is open until 4:30 pm on Aug. 31. There are also hard copies at the library

A great community discussion about a community space ... what we do with it is the outcome. We'll get the survey afloat and see what we get back.

Carol Moffatt

Mayor Algonquin Highlands



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Exploring indigenous settlement in Haliburton County

By Felix Wong

Trent University graduate David Beaucage Johnson gave a talk on the history of indigenous settlement in Haliburton County on June 23. The hour-long presentation, held at 2 p.m., was organized and hosted by the Haliburton Highlands Museum. Johnson is a Curve Lake resident and a painter who previously gave a talk at the U-Links Celebration of Research. The event was so popular that the museum invited him to come speak again to a packed, enthusiastic crowd eager to learn more about the history and culture of indigenous people.

“This [presentation] gives me a chance to give a perspective from an indigenous point of view,” said Johnson. He first spoke at length about different types of indigenous tools and weapons, pointing out that indigenous people were the first metal workers in the world.

Johnson then displayed several pictures of Indian marker trees, many of which are aesthetically unique due to the way they are bent at a distinct angle, some being supported by short poles protruding from the ground. According to Johnson, many of these trees helped mark trails on tundra 10,000 years ago. He also showed off a picture of a boundary marker tree shaped

like football goalposts, and one that was shaped like an upside down “h.”

Johnson then discussed the indigenous peoples’ network of transportation, including a lengthy river route that ran between the Gulf of Mexico and Haliburton.

He also spent some time discussing Indian mounds, many of which were built for ritual or burial purposes or as the location for important structures. Johnson pointed out that mounds could be found as far north as the Manitoba-Ontario border, Lake Simcoe and Killarney Provincial Park.

He also displayed a few of his paintings via a projector, including Halo, a painting of a woman holding a quarter moon towards the sky. “We might think that the indigenous people have stopped believing in spirits,” said Johnson, before invoking the Algonquin word “Manitou,” which he translated as “the great mystery.”

“When we say that the world is filled with Manitous we say that it is filled with mystery ... Manitou is something that you don’t see but it’s still there,” he added.

Attendees were very receptive to Johnson’s presentation and had many questions to ask throughout, taking a deep dive into a culture and history that has much to be explored.



David Beaucage Johnson gives a presentation on the history of Indigenous settlement in Haliburton County at the Haliburton Highlands Museum on June 23. Photo by Felix Wong.



Seminars helping empower seniors

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Jamie Schmale and MPP Laurie Scott addressed some of the needs of county seniors June 25 at the Haliburton Legion.

This is the third year Schmale and Scott have held a seminar in Haliburton.

The Haliburton seminar began with registration at 8:30 a.m., followed by a viewing of various exhibits relevant to the issues seniors face in the county. There were booths from the Haliburton Highlands Health

Services, CARP – a non-profit organization promoting social change that will bring financial security and equitable access to health care – and many others.

Later on, Scott and Schmale discussed numerous issues relevant to seniors, including: palliative services, nutrition, banking fraud, summer health, the keys to healthy relationships and more. The seminar ended at noon with a free lunch. (Felix Wong)

Left: Jon Dannewald, left, and Bob Stinson man the CARP booth. Photo by Felix Wong.



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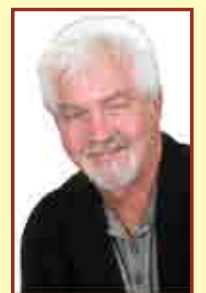
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Highlander community

Goal for seventh Katie's Run set at \$40,000

By Felix Wong

On July 7, you can join the 7th annual Katie's Run to help raise funds for epilepsy research. Katie's Run was inspired by the story of Katie

Woudstra, a Haliburton native who has suffered from epilepsy since 2010. Since the event was founded in 2012, \$200,000 has been raised, all of which went to the Ontario Brain Institute. \$35,000 was raised last year alone, and with matching funds, an additional \$100,000 went towards epilepsy research. This year's goal is \$40,000.

Participants will have the option to participate in a flat five or 10km trail run, or a stroller, wheelchair and dog-friendly 2.5 km family walk/run. The event will begin at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Every year, the theme for the run is different. This year's theme will be Sudden

Unexpected Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP).

"By no means is this an easy subject and it is something that triggers fear in those living with epilepsy, yet many living with epilepsy have no knowledge of SUDEP,"

said organizer Geri Woudstra, who's Katie's mom.

"We will honour the loved ones lost by raising awareness, sharing possible ways to help mitigate risk and doing our very best to raise more funds for epilepsy research to help uncover the brilliance that will

By no means is this an easy subject and it is something that triggers fear in those living with epilepsy

Geri Woudstra
Organizer

end epilepsy – forever!"

Registration for the run will begin at 8 a.m., with the races kicking off at 9:30 a.m., followed by speeches, auctions and an Award ceremony.

As of the time of writing, 150 participants had signed up for the run and more are expected to come, said Woudstra. During the weeks leading up to the run, organizers have been sharing stories from families and individuals bereaved by SUDEP.



HSA+D faculty exhibition

Members of the public visit a faculty exhibition, featuring the work of instructors from HSA+D, July 3. It runs until Aug. 13 and is open to the public to explore free of charge. Photo by Emily Stonehouse.



Dentistry in the Highlands is thrilled to announce that

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J.J. would like to thank all of the teachers at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, sports coaches, music teachers, friends and family who encouraged him along the way to pursue his dream to serve dental needs of patients in the Haliburton Highlands.

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Highlands Summer Festival raises curtain

The dead lovers are discovered in the Capulet tomb in a scene from the Highlands Summer Festival's Romeo and Juliet. From left, Christine Joanas-Simpson, as Lady Capulet, Doug MacNaughton as Lord Capulet, Tom Regina, as Lord Montague, and Guy Pritchard, as Prince Escalus. This show runs until July 10. Photos by Lorne Campbell.





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Highlander business

Chamber launches local shopping campaign

By Mark Arike

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce is on a mission to get everyone buying locally as often as possible. On June 29, the organization and its partners unveiled the #BuyCloseBy campaign.

It's something that has been years in the making, said chamber president Richard Wannan.

"We've got to support local," said Wannan. "We are a community we're proud of. We should be doing more to support each other."

Last fall, he discussed ideas with former chamber manager Autumn Wilson.

They heard about a similar program being developed in Highlands East by the economic development and business committee.

Ann Corrigan, one of its members and member of the Algonquin Gateway Business Association (AGBA), conceived the #BuyCloseBy hashtag.

"It just seemed to ring," recalled Cecil Ryall, councillor and committee chair.

"The committee grabbed onto it and she became our champion."

The chamber approached the committee

about partnering and making it a county-wide initiative.

"The motivation and momentum started there [in Highlands East]," said Wannan.

Partnerships were also formed with the AGBA, Haliburton County Home Builders Association, County of Haliburton, Haliburton Village BIA and Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC). The chamber received \$8,000 from HCDC's Local Initiatives Program.

We should be doing more to support each other.

Richard Wannan
Chamber president

The main goals are to increase awareness of local shops, services and businesses; engage consumers on keeping their dollars local; and educate consumers on how local spending benefits the community as a whole.

Wannan hopes it could lead to full-time, year-round employment across the county.

A #BuyCloseBuy logo has been created and businesses are encouraged to use the hashtag on social media.

Signs and other materials will be made available to businesses.

In the future, the chamber will help businesses with their marketing strategies and social media presence, said Wannan.

A Facebook page will be established for the program.



Chamber president Richard Wannan gives an overview of the #BuyCloseBy initiative. Photo by Mark Arike.

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Thurs. July 12 – Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers at Kawartha Dairy

Wed. July 18 – Algonquin Outfitters with Kayaks on the Gull River

Meet opposite the Post Office on Invergordon Avenue

Thurs. July 26 – Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers at Kawartha Dairy

Wed. August 1 – Algonquin Outfitters with Kayaks on the Gull River Meet opposite the Post Office on Invergordon Avenue

Thurs. August 9 – Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers at Kawartha Dairy

Tues. August 14 – Heart & Stroke Big Bike Ride in Minden

Watch for the 30 seat Red Bike in Downtown starting at 5:00

Wed. August 15 - Minden Merchant Sidewalk Sale During the Day

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Highlander business

New chiro and rehabilitation clinic opens

By Felix Wong

Patients, friends and family of Dr. Kassie Wright and Dr. Jason Bradley brought cards, gifts and flowers to celebrate the grand opening of Haliburton County Chiropractic and Rehabilitation in Minden on June 30. Along with their new massage therapist Shay Wright, Wright and her fiancé Bradley have opened a clinic that offers a diverse range of chiropractic and rehabilitation options including massage therapy, muscle release therapy, custom bracing for people with worn-out arthritic joints and more. They will also look after WSB, car accident and long-term disability claims.

Bradley believes their rehabilitation space and unique services will set them apart from other clinics in the county: "We're really the only chiropractors that blend in the active component, the strengthening component and the education and exercise component."

"From a service perspective, we're one of the few clinics that looks after concussion patients and also vestibular and dizziness patients," he added. "I would say that another big differentiator for us is that we want to work very closely with the doctors in town and we want to build a bit of a team, which maybe hasn't always been the case in the market."

Wright and Bradley met at, and graduated from, the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College before settling down in Dorset. Wright's grandmother grew up in Minden and her parents also live there. "I have really strong roots in this area," she said. Bradley grew up in Barrie and his family has a cottage down the road from the clinic.



Kassie Wright stands next to her degree from the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College during the grand opening of Haliburton County Chiropractic and Rehabilitation on June 30. Photo by Felix Wong.

"Kassie has built a really strong following in the community and a lot of people have come to see and support her business ... the response from the community has been

overwhelming," said Bradley.

Dr. Wright will be working every Monday to Saturday while Dr. Bradley will be available via appointment on Saturdays.

Agilec helps fight battle against hunger

By Felix Wong

The Minden office of employment consultant firm Agilec participated in their annual Turn the Tables on Hunger initiative June 21 by volunteering with the Haliburton Rotary Club to help fill Good Food Boxes.

Turn the Tables on Hunger is an event that Agilec created and participates in all year round. Every year in June, the company picks a day for all 180 staff in 17 locations across Ontario to engage with the community, participate in various fundraisers and take steps towards eradicating hunger.

Good Food Boxes are filled with potatoes, carrots, cabbage and other kinds of fruits and vegetables by volunteers and shipped out to more than 200 people in Haliburton County.

"Since our beginning 33 years ago, we recognized the importance of working with the community on a professional level while at the same time taking every opportunity to give back to those that we serve," said Agilec CEO Wendy Legere. "We care about individuals, our communities, and society as a whole and this is our opportunity to support our values and also our mission to help people and organizations develop their potential."

So far, Agilec has volunteered more than 1,500 hours, raised more than \$18,000 and donated more than 2,000 pounds of food to local charities in Ontario.

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Notice of Special Council Meeting

Please take notice there will be a Special Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at 9:00 AM at the S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre Room #3 located on 55 Parkside Street, Minden, ON.

The purpose of the Special Meeting is for Council to consider the following:

- Report #18-027 Community Services Department awarding of the Request for Proposal - CSD 18-02 Integrated Project Delivery Team for the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and Community Centre (Arena and Community Centre Renovations);
- To authorize the execution of an agreement between PerfectMIND and the Township of Minden Hills for Recreational Software (Amended Agreement);
- Report #18-021 Environmental and Property Operations Department awarding of the Request for Tender - EPO 18-01 Environmental Monitoring and Reporting Services for the Municipalities Waste Disposal Sites;
- Report #18-045 Planning Department awarding of the Request for Proposal - BBP 18-02 Consulting services for the creation of a Village of Minden Community Improvement Plan;
- Planning Department to provide an update on Report #18-043 Planning PLH2017065 Fulfillment of Condition regarding alternative options to fulfill the conditions verses a donation; and
- Mr. Jay Amer, Amer and Associates Consultant, regarding a presentation of the Draft Economic Development Plan; and
- For Council to proceed into a Closed Session meeting for the purpose of discussing one item pursuant to section 239(2)(k) of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended, related to a position, plan procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality.

For information regarding the awarding of CSD 18-02 Integrated Project Delivery Team Arena Renovations; or the amendments to the PerfectMIND Agreement, please contact Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services at mcoleman@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1936 ext. 201.

For information regarding the awarding of EPO 18-01 Landfill Monitoring, please contact Ivan Ingram, Environmental and Property Operations Manager, iingram@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1260 ext. 216.

For information regarding the awarding of BBP 18-02 CIP Village of Minden Community Improvement Plan; or the update on PLH2017065 Fulfillment of Conditions, Please contact the Planner, Ian Clendenning at iclendenning@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1260 ext. 206.

For information regarding the Draft Economic Development Plan, please contact Vicki Bull, Deputy Clerk, vbull@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1260 ext. 215.

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Meetings and Events

Meetings are held in the Minden Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street.
July 18 - 9:00 AM, Special Council Meeting
July 26 - 9:00 AM, Combined COTW/Regular Council Meeting
August 30 - 9:00 AM, Combined COTW/Regular Council Meeting
For Council, Boards & Advisory Committee meetings, visit www.mindenhills.ca
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In Loving Memory of Donald L. Finlay

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Beloved husband of Kay. Dear father of Lynn of Vancouver Island, Lee of Stroud, Sean and his wife Angela of Tory Hill. Loving poppa to Jacob, Jonathon, Amy and Cole. Dear brother of Ian of Penticton. Missed by many nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. A Celebration of Donald's Life will be held at a later date.

Memorial Donations to the Charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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Frederick "Fred" Houtby (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

At his residence on Sunday evening, September 17, 2017 in his 84th year. Beloved husband and best friend of Irene Houtby (nee Gough-Wormald). Loving stepfather of Larry (Irene) and David (Doug). Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Thomas, Joseph, Robert and Taylor. Dear brother of Gordon, Walter and William. Predeceased by his sisters Evelyn, Alma, Mabel, Louise, Helen and by his brother George, Harold, Edward and Arthur. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Fred was an active gardener, woodworker and sports enthusiast of both the Toronto Maple Leafs and the Toronto Blue Jays.

Graveside Service & Reception

Friends may call at the ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CEMETERY on Monday morning, July 9, 2018 for a Graveside Service at 11 o'clock. Reception to follow in The Community Room. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary or the Alzheimer's Society would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.



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Graveside Service & Remembrance Gathering

A Private Graveside Service will take place at Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. Friends are invited to visit with the family at THE COMMUNITY ROOM 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Sunday afternoon, July 8, 2018 from 1 - 3 p.m. A time of sharing will take place at 2 p.m. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation - Palliative Care Unit would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 HWY. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.



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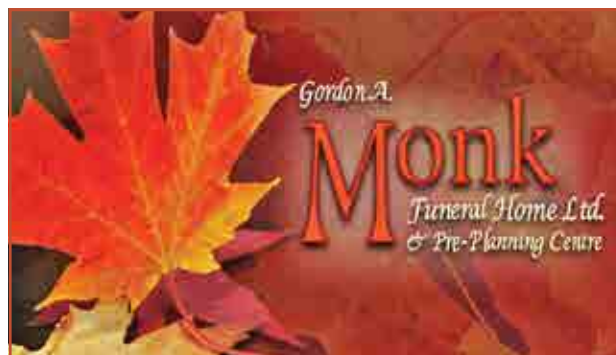


Thank You

The family of the late Siegfried (Sigi) Lenk wish to offer their sincere thanks to all who have given such compassionate care to him during this past year. To Dr. Bottum, the Acute Care nurses and ER nurses at the Haliburton Hospital and the community nurse, Liz Foote. The paramedics who came to assist on many occasions, also the fire department on an icy winter morning. The PSW's Colbeigh, Susan and Margery. The St. George's church family who have supported us with their prayers, and finally Dwaine and Lori Lloyd and their staff at the Haliburton Community Funeral Home who have guided us through this difficult time with sensitivity, warmth and understanding.

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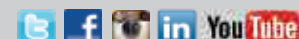
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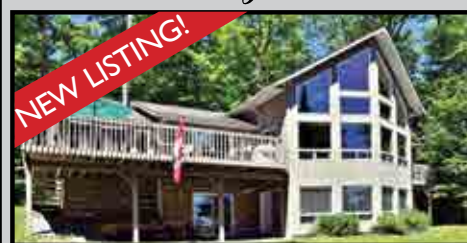
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